

REMARKS

The above-identified application has been reviewed in view of the Office Action mailed on August 24, 2007. By the present amendment, the Applicants have amended claims 2 and 6. It is respectfully submitted that the claims pending in the application are fully supported by the specification, introduce no new matter, and are in condition for allowance.

The Office Action stated that the declaration is defective. In response thereto, the Applicants have attached a new declaration. It is respectfully submitted that the new declaration complies with the requirements of 37 CFR § 1.67(a).

The Office Action objected to the specification and stated that the title was not descriptive. In order to advance prosecution of the present application, the Applicants have amended the title according to the Examiner's helpful suggestion. It is respectfully requested that the objection be withdrawn.

The Office Action also objected to the specification and asserted that the continuation information was deficient. The Applicants respectfully disagree. The instant application was filed on January 8, 2004 via express mail. A preliminary amendment was filed concurrently with the application and amended the continuity information. Therefore, the continuation information submitted in the preliminary amendment on January 8, 2004 is current and it is respectfully requested that the objection be withdrawn.

Claims 2-7 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112 as being indefinite. Claim 2 has been amended in order to provide antecedent basis for the recitation of "in each position of the plurality of positions." Claim 6 has been amended to depend from a currently pending claim.

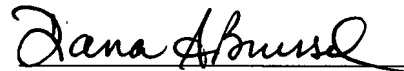
In the Office Action, claims 2-5 were rejected under 35 USC §102 (b) as being anticipated by US 5,312,023 to Green et al. (hereinafter, "Green"). The Applicants respectfully

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traverse the rejection of claims 2-5. The instant application is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/957,620. Further, the subject matter recited in claims 2-5 is entitled to the filing date of October 18, 1991 since support for the claimed subject matter can be found in the parent application, U.S. Application Serial No. 07/782,290, filed on October 18, 1991 which issued as U.S. Patent No. 5,289,963. As such, both the instant application and Green have the same effective filing date of October 18, 1991. Therefore, Green is not prior art to the instant application. Therefore, it is respectfully submitted that Claims 2-5 are in condition for allowance and the rejection of the Office Action has been overcome.

If the Examiner should have any questions concerning this communication or feels that an interview would be helpful, the Examiner is requested to call Applicants' undersigned attorney at (631) 501-5713.

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